

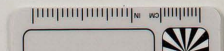
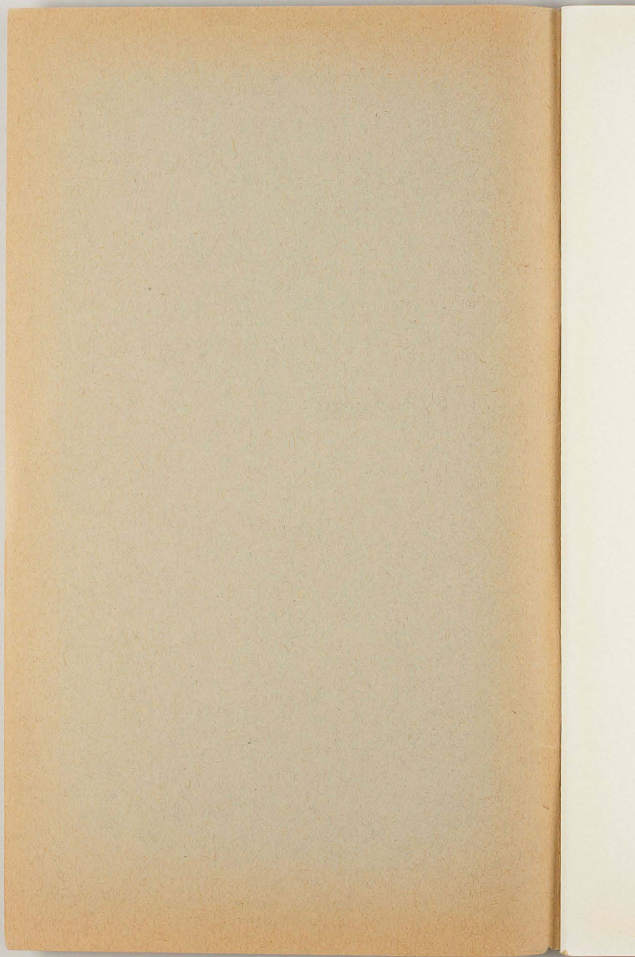
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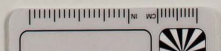


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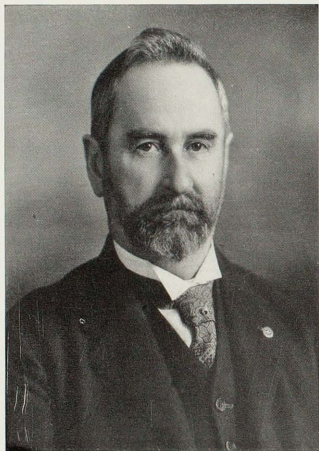
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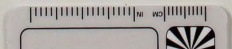
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Reports to Members

President

From the historical angle, the year which has just closed will be looked back upon as that in which the long awaited plans for the extension of our building were completed, and tenders called by the War Memorial Committee for its construction. As regards museum work, the year has been memorable not only for the unusually large number of special exhibitions which have been held, but also for the highly successful inauguration of the additional country service which has been made possible by the appointment of an Extension Services Officer.

With great regret, we have to record the passing of Mr. E. Earle Vaile, O.B.E., whose death occurred on 11th January, 1956. At a meeting of the Council held on February 15th last it was resolved: "That the Council place on permanent record its deep regret at the passing of Mr. Vaile, who was a member of the Institute for over fifty years, and a member of the Council at the time of his death. His benefactions to the Museum—which were of such munificence that they would be remembered as long as the institution existed—formed only a part of the total of his gifts to the citizens of Auckland. His pioneering work in the treatment of pumice soils had, in addition, made no mean contribution to the prosperity of the Dominion as a whole. In paying this tribute to the memory of the late E. Earle Vaile the Council also desired once more to bring to remembrance the valuable services rendered to the Museum over a long period of years by his brother, the late Mr. H. E. Vaile, to which services Mr. E. Earle Vaile made reference in the residuary bequest contained in his will."

Membership

This has again increased, and now stands at 1,092, this figure including 310 life members. One hundred new members were elected during the year, while 57 names were removed from the roll by reason of death, resignation or deletion.

Obituary

In addition to that of the late Mr. E. Earle Vaile, O.B.E., the names of the following members whose deaths have occurred during the year under review have regretfully to be recorded: Mrs. G. Osborne, Sir Cecil Whitney, Hon. W. Stewart, Dr. G. Fenwick, O.B.E., Dr. H. W. Wilson, Messrs. F. E. Astley, F. C. Attwood,

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Of these, Mr. S. Irwin Crookes was for some time a member of the Council, Mr. V. J. Larner rendered outstanding service over the years as Chairman of the Trust Board and Honorary Treasurer of the War Memorial Fund, and Mr. W. G. White (who lived to the age of 106) will be remembered as the donor of a notable collection of English china.

Honours

It is pleasing to record that once again the list of those who have been honoured by Her Majesty the Queen includes the names of members of the Institute. Congratulations have been sent to Mr. C. F. Bennett, M.B.E., Mr. L. A. Eady, O.B.E., and Mr. Douglas Robb, C.M.G.

Council

The regular meetings of the Council have been held, and, among very many items of business dealt with, mention should be made of the following matters. Mr. A. T. Pycroft having stated that he was unable to continue to represent the Institute on the Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand, his resignation was accepted with very great regret, and Mr. S. G. Brooker, M.Sc., was appointed in his stead. A resolution of appreciation of the service given by Mr. Pycroft as a member of the Council of the Royal Society since 1933 was placed on record.

The late Mr. V. J. Larner resigned from the Chairmanship of the Trust Board shortly before his death. He was succeeded as Chairman by Mr. K. B. Myers (who became *ex officio* a member of the Council) and the vacancy on the Trust Board was filled by the appointment of Mr. E. H. Rhodes.

With a view to systematic development of the Department of Applied Arts, a sum of £500 (allocated from the Specimen Purchase Reserve Fund) has been remitted to London to be used for the purchase of selected specimens of early English furniture. This has been made practicable by the generous action of the

Executive of the National Art Collections Fund (of Great Britain) which has agreed to act as adviser as regards the choice of items to be purchased. Grants towards reimbursement of expenses incurred in the course of their recent visits overseas were made to the Director, and to Mr. and Mrs. Turbott.

It has been decided that in future the Cheeseman-Pond prize take the form of a medal to be awarded to a person under the age of 30, either resident in the Auckland Provincial District or studying in Auckland, for research in Botany.

The Council's congratulations to Mr. Hugh Brown were extended to him on his election as Mayor of New Lynn.

Among matters still under consideration is that of the establishment of a Staff Superannuation Scheme. No finality has yet been reached, but an initial financial contribution has been set aside as a reserve. Certain other matters dealt with during the year will be referred to at a later stage in this report.

Staff

Our Botanist, Dr. Cooper, has been awarded a Yale Fellowship grant to enable him to do research work on the Pacific food plants, taro and kumara. Dr. Cooper was congratulated by the Council, and we are once more indebted to Mrs. Hynes for so capably filling the gap during Dr. Cooper's periods of absence on this special work.

Dr. Battey resigned from his position as Geologist in order to accept a teaching appointment in an English university. His resignation was accepted with regret. The consequential vacancy on our staff has not been filled, as no suitable applicant has yet come forward. The Geological Department is an important one, and this is a matter which will require careful consideration during the coming year. The appointment of Mr. N. G. Manley, F.R.G.S. (who has had extensive lecturing experience in England), as Extension Services Officer, has already been referred to. Mr. Powell was invited (at a cost to the Museum of a proportion only of his return fare) to join the "Gloria Maris" expedition of the Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia, which based its operations at Netherlands New Guinea. As a result, our Museum will receive valuable accessions to its collections.

Spitfire

At the suggestion of Air Chief-Marshall Sir Keith Park, and as a result of representations made by him in the appropriate quarter in England, one of the original "Spitfire" planes has been made available as a gift to the Museum, for exhibition when there is room in the new building. The historical importance of this gift to a museum which is also a national war museum can hardly be over-emphasized. Difficulties arise as regards the very heavy cost of adequate packing and transport—a sum quite beyond the capacity of this Museum at the present time. Representations are being made to the New Zealand Government for help in this connection.

Rangitoto Island

The Scenery Preservation Committee is watching developments here, both as regards possible quarrying activities and proposed extensions of time during which private cottages may be occupied. The Hon. the Minister of Lands has been asked to give the Committee an opportunity of expressing its views before any changes in existing policy are made. Dr. Cooper and the Botanical Society have been asked to report as to the present state of the native flora, and up-to-date information is also being sought regarding depredations by opossums, wallabies and deer.

Percy Neville Barnett Book Plate Collection

This outstanding collection has been secured for the Museum at a cost of £A300, the money being found in part from Museum funds, and in part from generous contributions made by members of the Auckland Ex Libris Society. Colonel A. R. Hughes, who took a leading part in helping to secure these magnificent book plates for the citizens of Auckland, is entitled to feel pleased at the happy result of his efforts.

Residuary Bequest

Members will no doubt be already aware, from references in the daily press, that after Mr. E. E. Vaile's death it was found that he had crowned his previous acts of generosity to our institutions by naming the Auckland Museum as sole residuary legatee under his will. Mr. Vaile's desire is that the revenue from his

bequest should be used primarily for extending the collections and the library in the field of Oceania.

School Service

Such an embarrassment of riches has come forward in the form of schools desiring visits that a number of requests for this service have had to be refused. This is a disaster, but is quite unavoidable at the present time. The Auckland Education Board and the Department are aware of the position, but until the teacher shortage has been overcome, cannot provide us with the necessary extra staff.

Institute Functions

Disappointment is sometimes expressed by members who have not received individual written invitations to special exhibitions and similar functions. The reason for this is that the membership subscription (£1/1/-) still stands at the same figure as it did nearly 100 years ago. While this position obtains, it is quite impossible to spend more money on postage and printing of invitations without trenching upon funds provided by the local bodies for a different purpose. This fact will, we are sure, be understood by members.

General

From the foregoing, and from the reports of our Director and the members of his staff, it will be seen that the activities of the Auckland Institute and Museum now cover a very wide field indeed: so wide a field, in fact, that surprise is frequently expressed by informed visitors who are familiar with the service given by museums overseas.

Not only this, but invitations such as that extended to Mr. Powell to take a leading place in the American sponsored "Gloria Maris" expedition shows the very high regard in which the abilities of individual members of our staff are held by other institutions.

These are facts which should be known to citizens of Auckland. Over the years, an institution has been built which is not only live and active, but which has a world-wide reputation among scientists. Tribute should be paid to Dr. Archey, to his wife, who never fails to give her help when functions are in prospect, and

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to the members of the staff, both scientific and custodial, whose efforts have combined to bring such a result.

Nor must it be forgotten that it is the citizens of Greater Auckland, and the province as a whole, who, by their readiness to find the necessary funds through local body contributions, have provided moneys without which the work could not have been accomplished.

To all these—Director, staff and citizens—I wish to tender thanks. I would thank, too, all members of the Council, who have given solid backing and encouragement to every effort made.

J. W. KEALY.

Chairman of the Trust Board

The Board joins with the Council in expressing its regret at the death of its former Chairman, Mr. V. J. Larner, who held the office for eighteen years, and who had served as a member of the Board for twenty years.

The maturing of stock and debentures, mortgage repayments, life members' subscriptions and land sales made £2,694 available for investment, and this, together with £2,645 of reserves, was placed in new Government stock and local body debentures, both at higher interest rates. The investments held now amount to £59,868, comprising £9,680 of reserves and £50,188 of endowment funds.

Inspections were made of the Vaile Fund properties and instructions given for necessary repairs and maintenance work to be carried out. It is anticipated that improved rentals will shortly become available from these properties.

The late Mr. Vaile's recent bequest includes several city properties. A preliminary inspection of these was made by the Board in association with the executors of Mr. Vaile's will who have invited the Board to express its views on the policy that might be adopted in realizing these assets to the best advantage.

KENNETH B. MYERS.

Director

Special Exhibitions

The President has mentioned the large number of special exhibitions held this year. There were sixteen; I mention the number, however, only as a matter of record, and in giving some account of them prefer to comment on their purpose and significance, and what we hope they may achieve.

The "Bird Book" was in progress on the turn of our report year, and the fine pictures shown were enjoyed, and are remembered, by the many who saw them. The exhibition, and the Museum, also became known abroad through Mr. Turbott's guide-booklet, as we have heard from more than one overseas recipient who has written in appreciation of its interesting and well presented information.

Three exhibitions of flower paintings were held, the first on achievement in horticulture, arranged for the Arts Festival; the second was of drawings and paintings by a present New Zealand artist, Nancy Adams, whose friends and teachers were pleased at this the first opportunity of seeing an exhibition of her talented work; the third was of paintings of an early New Zealand flower painter whose work has been known for the most part only in a printed book. Thus three separate botanical themes were presented and the interest of three different groups of plant students catered for.

The Cheeseman Native Flower Show provided interest for a still wider field, but even the fact that it is Auckland's chief botanical event and attracts large attendances is perhaps of less importance than that it regularly brings into active co-operation with the Museum and its staff 150 to 200 persons, who thus enjoy a week's personal participation in our activities.

The Trafalgar exhibition, commemorating the 150th anniversary, was another instance of co-operative participation in a Museum activity. We have many to thank, but here I have space to mention only the Royal N.Z. Navy, the Navy League, the Public Library and Mr. Frank Carr, C.B.E., Director of the National Maritime Museum, who supplied photographs of notable Nelson pictures from his collection.

"Other Faces," the exhibition of ceremonial masks, received answering glances from several directions. Its guide booklet won just commendation from New Zealand and abroad both for its

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presentation and its production; Professor Musgrove, guest speaker at the opening, enlivened our ideas on primitive sculpture and, in a way, inveigled three others of us into an evening's panel discussion during the exhibition. The masks also caught the active attention of school pupils, who first spontaneously and again later by request, modelled their own vivid ideas of the faces and this supplied two further welcome exhibitions.

One thing leads to another, and I have a feeling that the dramatic presentation of masks at the opening and the accompanying drum rhythm carried over to the Native Hats exhibition a few weeks later. Not only were the hats "modelled" at the opening night and on another evening for Institute members (though regrettably few were present), but new hats were designed from them, and worn, and the whole show was transferred for a second showing in a city shop.

Industry next joined with the Museum when N.Z. Forest Products presented Exotic Forest Utilisation; photographers had their turn when the Auckland Camera Club held the Bledisloe Prize Competition; the Neville Barnett bookplate display inaugurated a new interest and an association we hope will continue with a sister group, the Ex-Libris Society, while every five or six weeks throughout the year schoolboys, and others, were provided for by Mr. Ayre's regular changing of the postage stamp display.

A still further subject was Mr. Melvill Jamieson's exhibition of Papal Coins from 1588-1870, which was opened by Archbishop Liston; it is still attracting the interested attention of visitors. Finally we make acknowledgment to a colleague institution at Home, to the Victoria and Albert Museum which, in association with the British Council, has lent for exhibition in New Zealand a rich array of over one hundred notable examples of English Silver, including family plate of the Earls of Lonsdale. The Auckland Museum is glad to be associated with this fine exhibition, which is here under the sponsorship of the Art Galleries and Museums Association of New Zealand. In his address at the opening of the exhibition Mr. C. Reginald Ford made cordial acknowledgment of this generous loan and of the most acceptable "bonus" that it is to the Museum's activities, and support of its endeavours to foster interest in the arts. Apart from the large public attendances, itself an acknowledgment, I think the Victoria and Albert Museum and the British Council will be pleased, as we are, with one response. The regular visiting school classes, usually younger children, are taking word of the silver back to school, whereupon the senior classes are making special trips, sometimes

from 50 miles distant, to see it. Mr. Scobie finds these seniors, boys as well as girls, as alert and responsive to the aesthetic significance of the visiting silver pieces as to their historical interest.

I have made special exhibitions almost the whole of my report this year. My purpose has been to direct attention not only to the range and variety of exhibitions as one aspect of our work, but also to the gratifying public response to them. It is not only that 9,300 visitors came to the "Bird Book," 7,214 to the first weekend of "Other Faces," and 8,442 to the opening week-end of "English Silver." It is of equal importance that seventeen clubs or groups of our community joined with us in active participation in one or another of our scientific and cultural interests. Those who take part in these exhibitions feel, we believe, that they are part of the Museum, and we of the Museum welcome their association with us.

Leaving the activities of the School Service to Mr. Scobie's report, I will report below on only one other Museum service, the Institute lectures and the Sunday afternoon Museum addresses; but on the same theme of participation, members will note that audiences of 150 or more attended 17 meetings, lectures and cinema screenings; there were 26 meetings of Sections as well.

This response is encouraging; the public's participation is in itself part of the status and strength of the institution. Reciprocally, the Museum has the honour each year of joining with the community in the ceremonies of Anzac Day, nor need we hesitate to mention that the Memorial Museum's flags are among the first to fly in Auckland's observance of days of public commemoration. It is hoped that the Museum activities and services recorded each year may in a measure justify the phrase, "a living memorial."

The Monday evening *Institute Lectures* were again received with much interest and the library will soon be too small to accommodate the increasing attendance. The year's syllabus was as follows: Professor A. C. Light, B.A., F.R.I.B.A., F.R.S.A., "Some Recent University Building in the Americas"; Mr. Ward Barrett, A.B., M.A., "The Importance of the Study of Changes of Sea Level"; Mr. George Roddick, F.C.I.S., "Twenty Centuries of Paper Making"; Mr. P. A. S. Stein, B.Sc., "The Gannet"; Dr. J. L. Newman, "Medicine and the Potter"; Dr. E. W. Russell, M.A., F.Inst.P., "Soil Factors Limiting World Food Production"; Mr. R. Waddell, B.Sc., "The Television Process," and Dr. Grace McCann Morley, "The Significance of Native Sculpture for Modern Art."

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An increased number (9) of *Sunday lectures* also received good public response. Speakers were: Mr. N. G. Manley, F.R.G.S., "The N.W. Frontier—The Ancient Gateway of India"; Mr. R. W. Roach, B.Sc., M.R.C.V.S., "Territory in Wild and Captive Animals"; Mr. E. G. Turbott, M.Sc., "Antarctic Life (Birds, Whales and Seals.)"; Miss D. C. Shrewsbury, B.A., "Trinidad"; Mr. J. A. McPherson, N.D.H., "The Place of Parks in the Community"; Miss Maria Baalbergen, "The People and Customs of the Netherlands"; Mr. I. W. Lovatt, M.A., "Portugal"; Mr. E. Norman, O.B.E., "Cultural Life in Germany"; and Mr. R. B. Sibson, M.A., "The Migration of Birds in the S.W. Pacific."

The *Museum staff's* own contribution of lectures to outside societies and clubs has also expanded considerably; no less than 86 addresses were given in the city and province, the speakers being the Director (18), Mr. Powell (17), Mr. Fisher (12), Mr. Turbott (12), Mrs. Turbott (4), and Mr. Manley (23).

Anthropology Section: Chairman, Dr. W. R. Geddes.

Well attended meetings also marked the interest maintained in the Anthropology and Maori Race Section. Addresses were given by Mr. R. R. Nayacakalou, B.A., on "Some Aspects of Social Change in Fiji"; by Mr. J. Golson, M.A., on "Great Mercury Island Excavations"; by Mr. J. T. Diamond on "The Maori in the Waitakere Ranges"; and by Dr. M. Winiata, M.A., on "The Pattern of Maori Leadership in pre-European times." For the Chairman's Address Dr. Geddes discussed "The Aim and Scope of Social Anthropology."

Published for the first time, "The Proceedings of the Anthropology and Maori Race Section of the Auckland Institute and Museum" appeared in the Journal of the Polynesian Society, and copies were issued to members of the Section. In the present issue Mr. J. T. Diamond's lecture on "The Maori in the Waitakere Ranges" appeared in full; the other lectures were reported in shorter notes. We make cordial acknowledgment of the co-operation of the Polynesian Society and hope that the Proceedings may continue to appear in the Journal.

The Officers for 1956 are: Patron, Professor E. W. Gifford; Chairman, Dr. W. R. Geddes; Hon. Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. E. Grimes; Committee, Dr. R. Piddington, Mr. J. T. Diamond, Mr. J. Golson, Mr. A. J. Woolston, Mrs. A. J. Woolston, Mr. V. F. Fisher, Mrs. O. M. Turbott, Mr. R. A. Scobie. The roll stands at 107, i.e., 70 members and 37 student members.

Astronomical Section

The year has been one of growth and progress. The telescope stand at Western Springs Carnival has probably been the most decisive factor in making the public of Auckland conscious of the need in this city for an observatory. It has also been the greatest source of new members. The Society now has a membership of 232, of whom 42 are juniors.

During the year the Society instituted a competition on observing for junior members for the Maurice Justin O'Sullivan Award, in memory of one who was a good friend to the Society but died before he was able to see the fruit of his efforts. The winner for 1955 was Roger Horrocks, whose project was on the moon. It was an excellent piece of work and we hope that this year many more juniors will enter the contest.

The year saw a donation of £2,000 from the Auckland Savings Bank, £50 from one of our members, Mr. H. W. Lee, and a like amount from our American Member, Mr. Josef Zakostelny. Many others have contributed smaller amounts and we now have the nucleus of a very substantial fund for the building of our Observatory.

Perhaps the highlight of the year was the donation by Mrs. Edith Winstone Blackwell of £7,300, the amount necessary to purchase a 500 mm. Zeiss Cassegraine Reflector. This instrument will be the finest in the Dominion, having all the equipment necessary to carry out serious observational work, both visual and photographic. It is also equipped with two auxiliary telescopes of smaller size for comet finding and other work of a similar nature. The instrument is ideally suited for use in a public observatory, the eyepiece being low enough to enable people to observe without the use of a ladder.

In the words of Mr. McIntosh, our past President and present Publicity Officer, "Nothing can stop us now."

Conchology Section: President, N. W. Gardner.

The past year has been a sound and profitable one for the Section. The monthly meetings have been very well attended, and a number of new members elected. The several field days held were particularly enjoyed by juniors and new members. The monthly cyclostyled newsletter kept members, particularly those in the country, in touch and up-to-date with the Section's affairs, current research and reports on lectures.

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No. 11 Bulletin was published and was well received. This issue, larger than previous ones, contained some eleven original articles and illustrations by members dealing with conchology in general.

The New Zealand land and marine section of the A. E. Brookes molluscan collection was obtained to assist members with their studies and the identification of specimens. The quite considerable sum needed for the purchase of this collection was entirely and voluntarily contributed by members. The collection is being housed in the Museum where it will be easily accessible.

Gifts to the Museum

A notable accession as well as a most welcome one is Halliday's fine portrait of Sir Edmund Hillary presented to the Museum for the people of Auckland by Sir Ernest and Lady Davis. At a formal presentation by Sir Ernest on 27th March the portrait was unveiled by Lady Hillary.

The Museum's collection of silver and Sheffield plate was enhanced by a gift of nine pieces by Dr. J. A. Clinch; Miss D. M. Duigan has added a handsome whalebone mere (*waha ika*) and a greenstone mere; Mrs. A. M. Ferguson has presented Maori carved bone combs and a collection of Oceanic ornaments and textiles, and from Mr. C. Reginald Ford has been received a Liverpool plate with ship decoration and the azimuth recorder used in the Antarctic by Sir Ernest Shackleton. A handsome addition to the war collection is a model of H.M.S. "Diomedé" made by the donor, Lt.-Commander A. M. Watts, R.N. (Retd.).

Country Service

The establishment of a Museum country service, though outlined in Mr. Manley's report, deserves a word here. We are planning to initiate in country districts an organized service of display and to give assistance to country groups or societies in arranging local exhibitions. We also anticipate being able to receive country visitors in groups for guide lectures, and to offer lectures or cinema screenings in country towns. It may be some years before the country service can issue a "coverage map" equal to the "spread and density" of the school service map sent separately with this report, but it will endeavour in one way or another to give some service wherever it is wanted and is practically possible in the Auckland Province.

GILBERT ARCHY.

Assistant Director

The year was a stimulating one, since I was enabled to spend three months on field work and research both in Southern Australia and in Netherlands New Guinea.

The Australian trip last October was for the primary purpose of working up the Kermadec Islands mollusca of the "Galathea" expedition. It was necessary to do this work at the Australian Museum, Sydney, since that institution has much greater resources both in comparative material and in literature than we have. Over 400 species lots of mollusca were collected or acquired for the Museum as another result of this trip.

From January to March was spent in Netherlands New Guinea aboard the 67-ton auxiliary schooner "Gloria Maris," as the guest of Mr. A. J. Ostheimer, trustee of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia, who invited me to co-operate in the field work, which covered shore collecting, diving and dredging to a depth of 250 fathoms.

Opportunity was taken in some remote areas to acquire authentic native artifacts, and in this also the Museum is indebted to Mr. Ostheimer, who made available the best of the material acquired. The Auckland Museum is to receive also a complete range of the mollusca collected.

The scientific results of the expedition may be confidently assessed as very satisfactory. Subsequently the bivalve mollusca were allocated to me for report as well as the soft-bodied sea-slugs, of which I made colour sketches from life.

Commander Ritchie, of H.M.N.Z.S. "Lachlan," who has undertaken oceanographic investigations on our behalf, forwarded a further series of interesting deep-sea dredgings taken respectively off Gisborne, East Cape, Samoa and Christmas Island.

Seventeen outside lectures were given, including one to the Auckland Underwater Fishermen's Club, one to the Waikato Scientific Society, and three during the Australian trip. At the conclusion of the Adelaide lecture to the Malacological Section of the Royal Society of South Australia I was elected an honorary life member.

Two offers of appointment were accepted, one as Secretary of the Standing Committee on Pacific Oceanography and the other to the New Zealand Royal Society panel of specialist advisers on the Ross Dependency.

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A lengthy paper on "The Mollusca of Kerguelen and Macquarie Islands" was handed in for publication in the reports of the British, Australian and New Zealand Antarctic Research Expedition.

A notable acquisition was the foreign section of the collection of the late Mr. A. E. Brookes. It is very comprehensive and will greatly extend the scope of our research collections.

The New Zealand section of the Brookes collection was acquired by the "Conchology Section," and since this also is to be housed in the Museum the whole collection becomes available for reference.

Extra activities gain more and more commitments which can be met only partially by voluntary help. There is need, as in all other departments, for trained staff assistants.

A. W. B. POWELL.

Ethnologist

Additions to the collection numbered 588. Of special interest were an incised calabash bowl and a pumice bowl presented by Mr. W. Hammond; a greenstone pendant from Mr. A. Lee; a Fijian necklace presented by Miss I. M. Brenan; and a number of continental and English "bygones" presented by Mr. W. Hickson. We are particularly indebted to Mr. A. J. Ostheimer for presenting an important collection of ethnographical specimens, including some fine canoe carvings, from Geelvink Bay, Netherlands New Guinea.

At the request of the Adult Education Centre a course of ten lectures on "Maori Life and Culture" was prepared. In addition, ten lectures have been offered to different local societies and two radio broadcasts delivered. Various groups were shown through the Maori and Oceanic Halls. Of special interest was the visit on a Sunday morning of some twenty-five members of the Waikato Historical Society, who travelled from Hamilton in order to study the Maori exhibits.

Two meetings of the Waikato Scientific Society were attended in Hamilton to take part in discussions concerning the Ruapuke wreck. Data for the Museum Newsletter was contributed as requested.

The old Maori *pa* on One Tree Hill was the scene of several field periods when visiting students from the Sydney Teachers'

Training College, New South Wales, and the Canterbury Training College had the old Maori environment explained, and were afforded the opportunity to inspect and study the earthworks.

Of great value to the department was the arrival in August of Dr. R. E. Bell, Professor of Anthropology, University of Oklahoma, U.S.A., as a Fulbright Research Scholar. While at the Museum Dr. Bell has given particular attention to dating techniques with special reference to dendrochronology. To assist Dr. Bell visits were paid to forest areas and itineraries prepared for visits further afield. In February, accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Bell, three weeks were spent on an island in the Hauraki Gulf, engaged in archaeological field work, where American techniques were demonstrated.

The loan of specimens to dramatic groups, schools and similar bodies was met wherever possible, and included material sent to the Canterbury, Hawke's Bay and Gisborne Museums. Several Fulbright students spent short periods at the Museum. As usual, requests for information were very numerous and included students seeking source material for theses.

Considerable time was involved in localising material from the Wellcome collection. Chatham Island, Polynesian specimens and "bygones" were moved from the main research room to the annex and some alterations made to the Maori collections of stone adzes. The annex, while giving temporary relief, has not proved large enough to house the reserve collections, and only the completion of the new wing will provide adequate storage.

During part of the year I served as Vice-President and later President of the Art Galleries and Museums Association and continued to edit the Agmanz Newsletter. On the nomination of Agmanz I was appointed a member of the newly-formed National Historic Places Trust, of which I was elected Deputy-Chairman and also continued to serve on the committee of the New Zealand Archaeological Association.

After much work the publication of the Nggela Dictionary by Dr. C. E. Fox has been finalised and the full edition of 1,000 copies has been received from the printers. The checking and indexing of Oceanic language texts has been continued.

To Messrs. A. M. Ihle and P. Gordon thanks are due for valuable assistance given to the department during the year.

V. F. FISHER.

Associate Ethnologist

The main feature of the year's work was a number of special exhibitions, beginning with the Museum's contribution to the Auckland Festival of Arts at the end of May. This exhibition, "Other Faces," was a show of primitive masks with a dramatized opening ceremony. The masks exhibited were from our own collection supplemented by a number of important pieces generously lent by other New Zealand Museums. A detailed catalogue was prepared and special thanks must be given to Miss Judy Macky for the drawing on the cover, which also formed the motif on the printed invitations.

In August native head-dresses from our own collections lent themselves to a gay and colourful display, a special feature being the assistance, generously given, of the professional mannequins Germaine du Relos and Tui Stevenson, who modelled these native hats at two functions.

The Special Loan Exhibition of English Silver, 1660-1850, was arranged in the centre cases of the Foreign Ethnology Hall. For this purpose the Oriental collection was temporarily removed and stored. The publication of the catalogue for this exhibition, written by Mr. Charles Oman of the Victoria and Albert Museum, was undertaken by the Auckland Museum, and the design and printing of this catalogue was arranged.

In addition to these main exhibitions a number of small exhibits have given occasion to show material from our stored collections. In this way our fine collection of Paisley shawls was shown for a month. In March three Benin bronzes and a brass group from Lagos, on loan from Canterbury Museum, were the special feature in a display of other Nigerian material, including embroidered robes, from our own collection.

At the invitation of the Hawke's Bay Art Gallery and Museum a visit was made to Napier in August for the purpose of installing the exhibition "Other Faces" and to speak at the opening function.

I have appreciated the opportunity of working with a colleague, Mr. Benedict Sandin, who visited Auckland Museum for a year to study display and museum work. Mr. Sandin assisted in the preparation of the mask exhibitions and his skill in drumming was enjoyed at the openings.

O. M. TURBOTT.

Botanist

Again this year donors have been most generous. Mrs. R. F. Spragg presented a collection of paintings of native plants made some years ago by her mother, Mrs. Brownlee. Mr. T. Alexander presented several volumes of the Floricultural Cabinet (a gardening periodical of the 1820's and 1830's, with fine hand-coloured plates of garden flowers), the Gardener's Magazine for 1828, and "Plants for the Connoisseur" by T. Hay, 1938. Miss R. F. de Berg, of the Botany Department, Auckland University College, has given a large collection of mosses. Mr. A. T. Pycroft has presented a small collection of seaweeds gathered mainly at Tonga in the 1850's, and an old collection of dried ferns. The seaweeds were collected by W. H. Harvey, whose work on the algae of Australia, New Zealand and adjoining islands remains a standard reference work. With the Harvey collection of Australian and New Zealand seaweeds presented in 1951 by J. M. Kelsey, they will form an invaluable reference set.

For some years two voluntary workers, Mrs. P. Hynes, Secretary of the Auckland Botanical Society, and Mrs. K. Wood, have come each week to assist the botanist. They have maintained a small display of fresh plant specimens at the entrance of the Cheeseman Hall of Natural History, dealt with enquiries from teachers and school children, and added much valuable material to the permanent collections. Mrs. K. Wood withdrew last year to undertake other work and Mrs. Ewen Simpson has commenced as a voluntary worker in her place.

The contribution of the British Flower breeder to horticulture was the theme of an exhibition held in the Cheeseman Hall of Natural History at the Museum from the 26th May to the 19th June. The story of the development of modern roses, carnations, lilies, chrysanthemums and other popular garden flowers was traced with flower prints from the Bowles' collection and books from the library of the Auckland Museum. As a background, placards and transparencies from the Festival of Britain showing old and modern forms of garden favourites were exhibited. The display formed part of the Tours and Garden Section of the 1955 Auckland Festival, and closed with a small function at which afternoon tea was served to members of the garden tour.

An exhibition of flower paintings and line drawings by Miss Nancy Adams, of the Botany Division, D.S.I.R., Christchurch, was held from 10th to 19th July. Miss Adams' talented work is well known to the younger generation as she prepared the attractive

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illustrations in recent post-primary school bulletins on seaweeds, coastal plants, water plants, etc. This exhibition was the first occasion on which a comprehensive collection of her work has been exhibited.

The 18th Cheeseman Memorial Show of Native Flowers was opened by the Mayoress, Mrs. Luxford, on 25th September. Under the leadership of the Acting Botanist, Mrs. P. Hynes, and a Committee of the Auckland Botanical Society, no less than nine societies combined with other helpers to arrange the usual variety of interesting and attractive displays in the adult section. The groups taking part were the Auckland Botanical Society, Auckland Natural History Club, Botany Department, Auckland University College, Auckland Branch of the Forest and Bird Protection Society, Plant Diseases Division, D.S.I.R., Mt. Albert, Titirangi Beautifying Society, Tree Society, St. Mark's Daffodil-at-Home Committee and the Y.W.C.A. Gardening Club. A team of voluntary helpers under the direction of Miss Nancy Bamford assisted over 200 children from 26 schools to stage school and individual displays. As usual, a generous prize fund was donated by members of the Auckland Institute and the Botanical Society. Over the years the libraries of schools taking part have benefited greatly from the prizes, which are awarded for the purchase of books on natural history.

For the Christmas and New Year holidays an exhibition of water-colours of native flowers by Mrs. Charles Hetley was arranged. These were painted in the early 1880's and published in a well-bound volume in London in 1888. The original paintings were shown by courtesy of the Hawke's Bay Art Gallery and Museum.

From July to September last year I was absent from the Museum visiting Polynesia to collect varieties of taro and sweet potato. The work was made possible by a grant of a Yale University-Bishop Museum fellowship and the willing co-operation of the Departments of Agriculture of Fiji, Western and American Samoa, the Cook Islands (Aitutaki) and Tahiti. Taro is quantitatively the most important root crop in Polynesia and Melanesia and over 200 varieties were obtained and will be grown at the Plant Introduction Station, Naduruloulou, near Suva, for further study.

In January and February of this year I visited New Caledonia with Dr. J. A. Rattenbury, of Auckland University College, to collect further taro varieties. A short visit was made to Mare Island in the Loyalty Group and North Queensland. Thanks are

due to the South Pacific Commission and the Institute Francais d'Oceanie at Noumea for accommodation and facilities, and to the Directors and staff of the Departments of Agriculture at Noumea, Brisbane and Cairns for assistance in the field.

Mrs. Hynes acted as botanist during my absence and again I must record my sincere thanks for her continued help.

R. C. COOPER.

Ornithologist and Entomologist

The principal new material on exhibition is the first section of a series on "Life Histories of New Zealand Insects," consisting of an introduction and six panels. The work of painting the panels, each containing a schematic life history scene, has been carried out in vivid and telling style by Mr. J. McCaw. The displays are eventually to illustrate the principal insect orders—already including the mayflies, dragonflies, termites, earwigs and stone-flies—from New Zealand insect life, and the examples employed correspond to the "Life Histories" leaflet which has already appeared.

An accession of the greatest interest was the half share of the C. E. Clarke Collection purchased this year. This material, consisting mainly of New Zealand beetles, raises the collections of this group to the highest standard, and enables most of the gaps to be filled in the fine material received as a donation from the late Mr. C. E. Clarke in 1929. The remaining half share has been purchased by the British Museum (Natural History) Entomology Department, and division of the collection is being undertaken by the Auckland Museum.

Three student assistants who gave much-appreciated help in the entomology department this year were Miss B. Didcott, Miss A. Rix-Trott and Mr. R. Taylor.

A number of reserve specimens have gone out on loan for special exhibitions arranged by various organisations, including the Auckland Public Library (to show with its Antarctic book display) and drama groups for stage material. A much-appreciated contribution to the care of the collections has been made by Mr. A. E. Blade, who kindly had fumigation of certain older specimens donated to the Museum carried out.

The following papers have appeared:

"A Breeding Record of the Kiwi in North Auckland" (with G. C. Wightman) in *Notornis*.

"Bulbuls in Auckland" in *Notornis*.

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"Field Study of Notornis" in *Proceedings Eleventh International Ornithological Congress, 1954.*

Twelve lectures were given during the year to societies and organisations, and these included a visit to Napier in June to speak to the Hawke's Bay Branch, Royal Society of New Zealand, on "The New Zealand Subantarctic Region and its Bird Life." Activities relating to adult educational work also included a field day at the New Zealand Nature Study Specialists' Association winter meeting at Ardmore College.

Specimens were sorted and information prepared for a museum Extension exhibit.

Field work was carried out at the Mokohinau Islands, including a short visit to Fanal Island, from 22nd to 25th August. The party for this trip included Mr. R. B. Sibson and Mr. R. A. Harrison (Plant Diseases Division, D.S.I.R.), and special thanks are due to the Auckland Superintendent of Marine, and to Mr. E. W. Gilliver, District Inspector of Fisheries, for facilities to make the trip in the Marine Department's vessel "Ocean Star." Field work by Mr. Sibson and myself included observations on the red-billed gull and allied shearwater.

The opportunity to keep in touch with several societies closely related to the work of these departments has again been much appreciated. A new group of active entomological workers (members of the Entomological Society of New Zealand) has been formed recently in Auckland. I was elected Chairman of the group at the first meeting, convened by Mr. R. A. Harrison.

At the invitation of His Worship the Mayor, Mr. J. H. Luxford, I have acted on the Auckland Ross Sea Appeal Committee, as representative of the Auckland Branch, N.Z. Antarctic Society.

E. G. TURBOTT.

Extension Services Officer

Although the Extension Services year only dates from my appointment on 1st August, 1955, much has been accomplished that is worthy of note.

The Sunday afternoon lecture series was a success in spite of the interference of the transport strike with the attendance. There were nine lectures in all, five of them from people who had not lectured for us before.

A special showcase has been designed to be placed in country centres with a view to giving the outlying districts a museum service. The plan is to change the exhibit about three times a year and use the occasion for local lectures to schools and adult groups.

During the early part of November the Director and I made a tour of some twenty local authorities in the Waikato, Rotorua and Bay of Plenty, inviting them to obtain one of these cases and explaining the type of service we propose to organize, and inviting their co-operation and suggestions. Nine further centres were visited shortly afterwards by Dr. Archey. The suggestions made have been embodied in a four-page pamphlet which has been sent to all local authorities, schools, Parent-Teacher Associations and adult organizations throughout the Auckland Province. The second newsletter has also been produced and is being distributed with the country service pamphlet.

It was suggested by some of the local authorities that we might take a display to local agricultural and pastoral shows. This was done with outstanding success at Putaruru and Whakatane during the last week in February and the first week in March. At Putaruru the show was in the open and a tent was obtained to house the exhibit. We had the competent assistance of the Scout movement and also of Mr. Ben Goodall, a young geologist of the Auckland University College who ran the exhibit of radio-active rocks. The rest of the display comprised waterfowl, protected and game; pandanus leaf artifacts from the mid-Pacific; a series of large tropical shells, and a contrasting exhibition of Maori and pakeha carvers' tools. A dark-box was constructed and slides of the school visits scheme were shown continuously. At both Putaruru and Whakatane the exhibition was crowded constantly and there were many expressions of interest and gratification from all sections of the public.

Between the two A. and P. shows a series of lectures were given to both schools and adult groups in the Whakatane district, and afterwards at places on the route back to Auckland. Twenty-three lectures were given altogether, thirteen to schools and ten to adult and youth groups. During the whole tour 381 newsletters and 597 country service pamphlets were distributed to responsible persons, and also a small booklet from the Department of Internal Affairs in connection with the waterfowl exhibit. Thanks are due to Messrs. MacCauley and Mr. Kingsley-Smith of the Putaruru and Whakatane scout groups for the willing help given in many ways, and also to Mr. H. D. London, Secretary of the Whakatane

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District Historical Society for the tireless way in which he co-ordinated the lecture tour and helped and advised on local matters in Whakatane.

In October, 1955, a special exhibition of exotic forest products was held in the Cheeseman Hall, in co-operation with the New Zealand Forest Products Ltd. Many schools attended the display as well as large numbers of the public. Most of the credit for the most effective layout of this exhibition must go to Mr. A. E. Irvine, the Public Relations Officer of the company.

Another display immediately following commemorated the 150th anniversary of Trafalgar Day on 21st October. Many interesting exhibits were lent by the Royal New Zealand Navy, the Central Library, the City Council, and many private individuals; large photographs of important Nelson pictures were lent by the National Maritime Museum. It was quite astonishing how many personal and related articles pertaining to Lord Nelson and the Battle of Trafalgar were to be found in Auckland. The Navy added interest with a most instructive exhibit of the history of hydrographic surveying in New Zealand from the times of Abel Tasman and Captain Cook. A great number of the public attended this exhibition at the week-end.

Many organized parties and small groups and distinguished visitors have been guided round the galleries from time to time.

During March, 1956, I had the opportunity of addressing two conferences, one of the Women's Division of the Federated Farmers, the other of the Women's Institute, on the subject of the proposed country service. The information was received with evident enthusiasm by all, revealing an eagerness for adequate cultural activity in the country places.

N. G. MANLEY.

Education Officer

Summary of Services for year ended 31st December, 1955.

Attendances for one-hour lessons:

Primary	Intermediate	Post-Primary	Total
19,973	3,266	3,178	26,417

Student Teachers on Section: Auckland 90
Ardmore 6

Numbers in visiting Student Teacher classes: 528

Schools receiving Loan Material:

City: 75 Provincial: 237 Total: 312

Attendances at Film Sessions: 1,089.

Staff changes had their effect on the running of this department. Mr. Grimson left in May, a relieving teacher followed until September, when the replacement was appointed. Under these circumstances the duties of administration and organisation devolved almost totally upon the Education Officer. Adjustments were necessary in the distribution of effort to keep the essential services running, as well as for training the changing members of the staff. These were made more at the expense of teaching and informal activities than at the cost of the services to provincial schools. A breakdown in the circulation of loan material to the provincial schools would not only have affected more children (who might be regarded as under-privileged regarding this type of educational and civic experience), but could also have taken nearly a year to rectify.

The emphasis, therefore, has been on maintaining the circulation of the loan material to the schools. As an indication of the interest of the teachers in these teaching aids, 30 provincial schools between July and September constituted themselves into six circuits to be supplied with material. The 312 schools catered for constitute a record. Credit for co-operation in making this service available to the rural population on a scale unique in the world must be given to the Auckland Education Board and latterly, since its inception, to the South Auckland Education Board.

The demand for teaching in the Museum still increases. As against bookings involving 43,000 attendances in 1954, this year bookings totalled 45,000. Of these it was impossible to deal with nearly 19,000. Even under normal staffing circumstances, the present establishment could not have dealt with the number who expected to come. Over 4,500 children were taught by their own teachers. Under these restricted circumstances preference has been given to requests from schools outside Auckland and to those of new schools which had not visited the Museum at all.

Offsetting the reduction of numbers of children being taught, I paid more attention to encouraging the use of the Museum collections as sources of art inspiration. The Arts Festival Exhibition of Masks drew sufficient attention from the schools to encourage further development. As a result, the Auckland Branch of the Art Teachers' Association and the Museum collaborated in arranging a display of masks made by children. Interest in this display by children, particularly in out-of-school hours, and by parents, was amazing.

In all these activities I have been strongly supported by the Art Technician, Mr. J. McCaw, who helped in re-casting the whole

of the drawings of the activity sheets for the bird lessons, in mounting two art exhibitions for children and in preparing new displays, as well as in the maintenance and distribution of the existing stock of cases.

R. A. SCOBIE.

Librarian

During the year 1560 books and pamphlets were added to the library. Of these, 465 were purchased from the Edward Earle Vaile Trust Fund and 1,013 were received by donation or exchange. Interesting acquisitions include a number of molluscan works, including some rare early ones, bequeathed by the late Mr. J. R. le B. Tomlin, of Hastings, England; an almost complete set of "The Auk" (1894-1947) from the American Ornithologists' Union; a set of its Memoirs from the American Folklore Society; a typewritten history of the Bay of Islands and a register of ships visiting New Zealand before 1840, both compiled by Mr. John R. Lee and presented by him; 2,000 hydrographic charts of the Pacific issued by the U.S. Hydrographic office for use by the Pacific forces during World War II, donated by Mr. C. Roose, and a collection of photographs of New Zealand scenes, donated by Miss Garlick. The library's sets of New Zealand Gazettes, Appendix to the Journals of the House of Representatives and British Parliamentary papers relating to New Zealand, are now nearly complete. By courtesy of the Trustees of the Mitchell Library, the Museum was permitted to have a photostat copy made of Martha Marsden's New Zealand Journal, the original of which is in the Mitchell Library. The Mokoia Minute Books (1916-45) were deposited by Judge Ivor Prichard. Acquired by purchase was the logbook of "The Esk," which visited New Zealand 1863-1867.

The acquisition of the P. Neville Barnett Bookplate Collection was an event of considerable interest. This collection of 7,000 bookplates and 100 books was purchased by the Museum and the Auckland Ex Libris Society. A small exhibition was held and a souvenir brochure issued to commemorate the handing over of the collection.

The purchase of two vertical filing cabinets for maps has made it possible for members to consult the map collection with greater ease than formerly. One thousand three hundred have been catalogued to date, but there are still about 2,000 to be done.

A catalogue of the collection of photographic prints has been compiled, and the collection of negatives, formerly held by the

departments concerned, is now being taken over by the library. These negatives, over 10,000 in all, form a very valuable collection and have, over the years, proved of great use to research workers. It is hoped ultimately to compile a catalogue.

Work was done in connection with the Survey of Local Body Archives now being undertaken by the N.Z. Library Association. In this survey, the Auckland Branch of the Association is responsible for writing to or interviewing the 190 local bodies in the Auckland province, to enquire concerning the fate of old records. The Museum has undertaken to care for any valuable records which would otherwise be destroyed.

Borrowings for the year totalled 2,958, this including 200 books loaned to other libraries. 2,424 people used the library for reference or borrowing. A large number of enquiries for information on New Zealand subjects was received.

We acknowledge with thanks donations from the following persons: Lt.-Col. A. R. Hughes, Capt. Dryden, Rev. Father Simmons, Dr. Battey, Dr. Cairns, Dr. Maurice Broun, Dr. J. A. Clinch, Dr. T. D. C. Childs, Dr. de Courcy, Dr. M. Laird, Messrs. A. M. Alexander, A. F. Burton, F. B. Cadman, L. P. Clark, Duncan N. Ferguson, T. V. Fitzpatrick, C. E. Jenkins, R. Noel Johnson, H. G. King, J. R. Lee, L. M. Lennard, J. W. Kealy, senr., W. Hart-Smith, A. W. McNeish, R. G. B. Mahon, W. Calder Mackay, A. D. Mead, T. W. Mellor, I. S. R. Munro, H. M. Newton, C. Nicholson, J. D. McComish, G. J. H. Ovenden, H. Paykel, A. T. Pycroft, F. N. Rhodes, C. Roose, E. Reizenstein, H. Roth, R. F. S. Simmonds, J. Stewart, N. R. W. Thomas, E. G. Turbott, C. K. Smith, E. Earle Vaile, W. F. Wallis, Algar Williams, Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Newby, Mrs. Amos, Mrs. Bartley, Mrs. Buddle, Mrs. Carnachan, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Sheffield, Mrs. Turbott, Misses N. Bamford, Cardno, Campbell, Garlick, B. J. Hooton, L. Sheat, I. Stennett, A. S. White, de Luen, and the Martha Goldmining Co., Waihi.

ENID A. EVANS.

List of Benefactions
made to the
Auckland Institute and Museum
of an amount (or value) exceeding £50.

MONETARY GIFTS.

- 1876 Auckland Citizens: £2,026 subscribed towards first building.
1878 Mr. J. C. Firth donated £106 for show cases.
1884 Mr. Edw. Costley bequeathed £12,150.
1887 Mr. David Nathan bequeathed £100.
1897 Mr. T. Russell donated £100 for geological specimens.
1901 Auckland Citizens subscribed £1,000 for Mair Collection.
1902 Mr. E. A. Mackechnie bequeathed £2,500.
1906 Auckland Citizens subscribed £662 for carved houses.
1911 Auckland Citizens subscribed £684 for ancient carvings.
1913 Sir John Logan Campbell bequeathed £1,000.
1921 Institute Members subscribed £115 for Temple Bronzes.
1923 Sir Wm. H. Herries bequeathed £1,000.
1924 Citizens subscribed £698 for Maori collections.
1925 Institute Members subscribed £100 for Maori collection.
1926 Sir James Gunson Presentation Committee presented £118 for Maori collection. Mr. David Goldie bequeathed £1,000.
1927 Mr. F. Shaw bequeathed £1,000.
1929 Mr. S. J. Ambury bequeathed £250.
1934 Mrs. R. M. Wilson: £50/10/-, given to establish the Sir Edwin Mitchelson Prize Fund.
1940 Mr. Maurice Harding bequeathed £500.
1941 Mr. Ormsby Gore Adams bequeathed £100.
1942 Mr. J. A. Pond bequeathed £100 to commemorate the scientific achievements of Thomas F. Cheeseman.
1944 Mr. E. Earle Vaile gave two blocks of shops and residences worth £10,000 as an endowment for ethnological collections and books.
Mr. R. C. Horton gave £200 towards extending the mineral collection.
Sir Albert and Lady Ellis gave £150 for Library book-cases.
£428 received on account of a bequest by Mr. C. V. Houghton.
Mitchelson Prize Fund increased to £100.

- 1945 Mrs. Bertha Wilson gave £2,000 as an endowment for Cinematography.
Auckland Savings Bank gave £500 for improvements to Exhibition Halls.
Auckland Electric Power Board gave £100.
Mr. R. C. Horton gave £70 for purchase of Georgian Silver Tea Set.
Sir Cecil Leys and Lieutenant T. H. Leys, R.N.Z.N., gave £500 for purchase of ethnographical specimens.
- 1946 Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Gave a freehold section with a two-storey building in Queen Street worth over £30,000 as a further endowment for ethnographical collections and books.
- 1947 Auckland Savings Bank Centennial Gift of £5,000.
Mr. A. V. Hanson bequest of approximately £2,000.
- 1948 Mr. E. P. Mitchelson, bequest of £1,000.
- 1950 Mrs. Sarah Ann Powley, bequest of £171.
Sir Cecil Leys bequeathed £1,000.
- 1951 Mrs. Bertha Wilson gave £1,000 endowment for photography.
- 1952 Mr. James C. Entrican: Bequest of £1,000 for numismatics.
- 1954 Captain G. A. Humphreys-Davies: Bequest of £500.
Sir Albert Ellis, C.M.G.: Bequest of £100.

SPECIMENS AND BOOKS.

- 1876 Mr. R. C. Barstow: Large collection of Maori articles.
- 1877 Mr. G. F. Edmonston: 564 volumes of scientific works.
- 1878 Mr. T. Russell, C.M.G.: 34 casts from the antique.
- 1878-83 Mr. J. T. MacKelvie: 390 books and ethnology collection.
- 1887 Mr. C. O. Davis: Valuable Maori collection.
- 1901 Mr. L. D. Nathan: Japanese Shinto Shrine.
- 1913 Mr. Henry Shaw and Mr. F. Shaw: 172 scientific books. Hon. Sir Edwin Mitchelson: Valuable Kauri Gum collection.
- 1915 Dr. C. E. R. Bucknill: Collection of Old English Glass.
- 1916 Mr. Henry Shaw: Collection of Japanese art.
- 1917 Miss Ruth Northcroft: Large Maori and Polynesian Collection
- 1919 The Misses Yates: Collection of Indian weapons.
- 1920 Mr. James Dunning: Collection of North American Mammals.
- 1921 Mr. W. A. Aldred: Valuable collection of Maori specimens.
Hon. J. B. Turner: Important Fijian ethnographical collection.
- 1923 Mr. T. F. Cheeseman, F.L.S., F.N.Z.Inst.: The Cheeseman Herbarium of native and foreign plants.
- 1924 Mr. Wm. Sutherland: Melanesian ethnographical collection.
Mr. A. C. Caughey: Fijian and New Hebridean ethnographical collection.
- Mr. R. A. Meek: Ethnographical specimens from Bismarck Group. Messrs. Samuel Vaile & Sons: Large collection of Maori greenstone articles. Sir Cecil Leys and Mrs. Selwyn Upton: The Edge-Partington ethnographical collection of over 2,000 specimens, given in memory of their father, Dr. T. W. Leys.

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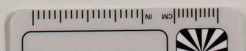
- 1925 Mr. F. Crossley Mappin: Valuable Maori and South Pacific exhibits.
- 1926 Mr. Geo. F. Webster: Valuable Maori antiquities.
Mr. H. R. Butcher: Collection of British coins.
Mrs. E. M. Ball: The Thos. Ball Zoological collection.
Mr. F. Crossley Mappin: Ancient Chinese ceramic specimens.
Mr. Hallyburton Johnstone: Silver cup presented by Queen Victoria in 1878 to the Royal George Yacht Club.
- 1927 Mr. F. Crossley Mappin: Valuable Maori carvings.
Mr. Moss Davis: Valuable ethnographical specimens.
- 1928 Sir Cecil Leys and Mrs. Selwyn Upton: Unique and richly carved feather box.
Mr. J. R. Adams Wilkes: Ethnographical collections from Nigeria and New Guinea.
Mr. Harry Kinder: The Dr. Kinder Collection—Maori and Melanesian.
Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Important collection of Maori stone carvings and collection of Eastern ethnographical specimens.
Mrs. S. J. Lushington: Large collection of mollusca.
- 1929 Mr. T. H. Barstow: Maori canoe prows and stern posts.
Mr. W. R. McGregor: New Ireland carved memorial figures.
Mrs., Miss and Mr. A. N. Cooper: The Charles Cooper collection of mollusca.
Rev. W. H. Webster: Large collection of mollusca.
Mr. C. E. Clarke: Large collection of N.Z. Insects.
Executors Mr. W. M. Cole: Stone and Bronze Age Artifacts.
Miss Webster and Mr. G. F. Webster: Water-colour drawings of the Solomon Islands.
- 1930 Mr. John Kenderdine: Large collection of books and pamphlets, including rare early New Zealand works. Mr. H. E. Vaile: A large collection of Maori implements and greenstone ornaments. Mr. Moss Davis: Selected Maori exhibits; also porcelain and ivory. Mr. L. J. Matthews: Two specimens of Moa eggs. Dr. L. Cockayne: Large collection of N.Z. plants.
- 1931 Sir Cecil Leys and Mrs. Selwyn Upton: Valuable Maori antiquities: additions to the Dr. T. W. Leys collection. Mrs. S. J. Lushington: Collection of Silver and Sheffield Plate. Mrs. A. C. Lennard: Collection of English porcelain.
Lt-Colonel A. R. Hughes: Collections of birds and mollusca from Ceylon.
- 1932 Mr. H. S. Dadley: Large and valuable collection of Oriental Arts. Mr. Moss Davis: British Gold and Silver Coins and European Ivories and Bronzes. Hon. Sir James Parr: Gold and Silver Mementoes of public events in New Zealand, and case for their display.
- 1933 Vaile Collection: Additional gift of many valuable Maori antiquities. Mr. W. Goodfellow: Extensive ethnographical collection from Northern Melanesia.

- 1934 Miss Eleanor Brown and Mrs. Geo. Brownlee: Collection of heirlooms of the Ngati-toa and Ngati-awa Tribes. Messrs. R. B. & G. Matthews: The H.B. Matthews Herbarium.
- 1935 Mr. F. Crossley Mappin: Maori Specimens, including handsomely carved sternpost. The Admiralty: Model of H.M.S. New Zealand.
- 1936 Captain G. Humphreys-Davies: Large and valuable collection of Chinese pottery figures. Mrs. T. G. Russell: 235 volumes of chemical and physical works from the library of her father, the late Professor Brown. Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Valuable Maori hei-tiki and Rapa Island stone artifacts. The Estate of the late H. E. Vaile: Maori and Polynesian ethnographical collection; carvings and ornaments.
- 1937 Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Collection of ethnographical specimens and six Italian bronzes. Sir Algernon Thomas: Library of scientific books and papers.
- 1938 Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Gift of many early New Zealand books and journals. Mr. J. R. le B. Tomlin: Gift of valuable early editions of natural history works. Mr. F. Crossley Mappin: Early Chinese Pottery and Bronzes.
- 1939 Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Maori carvings, large Melanesian collection and gifts to the Library. Mr. J. R. le B. Tomlin: Gift of early Worcester china and early works on natural history. Mr. W. Goodfellow: Large Melanesian collection.
- 1941 Mr. H. R. Jenkins: Historic anchor associated with the ill-fated H.M.S. Bounty. Mrs. T. G. Russell: 500 volumes of botanical and biographic works from the library of her father, the late Professor Brown. Mr. Ormsby Gore Adams bequeathed cinema camera, photographic equipment and nature films.
- 1942 Mrs. A. A. Richardson: The late Mr. J. D. Richardson's extensive collection of early Auckland photographs and lantern slides. Col. the Hon. F. Waite, D.S.O., M.L.C.: Large collection of Egyptian pre-dynastic artifacts, flints, slate palettes, and pottery 7500-4300 B.C.; also pottery lamps of Egyptian, Roman, Greek and Arabic manufacture.
- 1943 Captain G. A. Humphreys-Davies: His extensive and valuable collection of Chinese arts. Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Large collection of books and pamphlets on exploration and early life in the South Pacific. Mrs. W. H. Hemingway: The late Mr. Hemingway's display and cabinet collections of insects. Colonel the Hon. F. Waite, D.S.O., M.L.C.: Further collections from Egyptian Pre-dynastic, Dynastic and Ptolemaic periods.
- 1944 Mrs. B. Quigley and Miss E. Kenderdine: Large number of books on early New Zealand history. Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Collection of works on South Pacific exploration and New Zealand history. Captain G. A. Humphreys-Davies: Ancient Chinese bronze sculpture. Mr. J. C. Entrican: Large collection of Eastern Polynesian stone implements.

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- 1945 Mr. W. G. White: A valuable very representative collection of Worcester and Chelsea China. Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Important Maori Ethnographical Collections, and books on South Pacific Exploration and New Zealand History.
- 1947 Lady Leys Fund, Sir James Gunson Fund, and E. Earle Vaile Fund: Collection of 60 greenstone hei tiki and greenstone adzes purchased in England.
- Mr. Jas. C. Entrican: Gave his extensive collection of medals and coins and library of books on Numismatics.
- Mr. Geo. Finn: Presented a collection of books and newspaper records, reports and illustrations collected over a number of years.
- Lieutenant A. G. Carnahan, R.N.R.: Presented Viscount Jellicoe's racing 14-footer "Iron Duke."
- 1948 Sir Frank Mappin: 16mm Cine-sound projector.
- 1949 Mr. and Mrs. J. Yock: Old English sterling silver salver.
- 1950 Mrs. J. P. Campbell: Eighteenth century inlaid sideboard.
- Mr. Wm. Goodfellow: Delft vase and other early ceramics.
- Mr. V. J. Larner: Early china and delft vase.
- 1951 Mrs. Goldie: Twenty portraits of Maoris by the late Mr. C. F. Goldie.
- Rev. Harry Johnson: Extensive collection of native arts and crafts from Tanganyika.
- Rev. Charles Palmer: Melanesian ethnographical collection; mementoes of Bishop Selwyn and early New Zealand books.
- Mr. W. J. Crowther: Selected examples of English porcelain and eighteenth century silver plate.
- 1952 Mr. E. Earle Vaile: Selected early works on discovery and exploration in the Pacific.
- Sir Frank Mappin: Eighteenth century silver and Sheffield plate.
- New Zealand Insurance Company: Suite of large cabinets and library furniture.
- Mr. William Goodfellow: Three Maori portraits by Lindauer.
- Sir Carrick Robertson: Collection of Zulu ornaments.
- Lieut.-Commander J. F. A. O'Neill, D.S.C.: Ethnographical collection from Tikopia.
- Miss W. S. Dudley and Miss Jean Robertson: Pencil and wash drawings of early New Zealand, by Major Charles Heaphy.
- 1954 Mrs. Robert Cooper: Collection of botanical books and book-cases.
- Sir Frank Mappin: William and Mary walnut cabinet and early seventeenth century chairs.
- Mrs. P. Sklenars: Model of four-masted barque "Pamir" made by her father, Mr. W. S. Nelson.
- 1955 Dr. J. A. Clinch: English silver and Sheffield plate.
- Sir Ernest and Lady Davis: Portrait of Sir Edmund Hillary, K.B.E.
- Mr. G. J. H. Ovenden: Full set of publications of Palestine Exploration Fund.

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AUCKLAND INSTITUTE AND MUSEUM

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

For the Year Ended 31st March, 1956.

RECEIPTS.		PAYMENTS.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Balance, 1/4/55	2,981 10 11	By Salaries and Wages	15,209 9 2
" Subscriptions	723 12 0	" Insurance	32 1 2
" Subscriptions Paid in Advance	33 11 6	" Library Books	580 6 3
" Life Subscriptions	94 10 0	" Institute Expenses	543 19 2
" Interest—		" Overseas Travel Grants	520 0 0
Mortgages	166 1 10	" Specimens—	
Debentures	153 2 6	Purchased	172 0 0
N.Z. Government Stock	1,379 13 7	Collecting and Travelling	322 10 4
Australian Stock	52 2 8	Preserving and Display	336 2 10
" Local Body Contributions	20,240 4 2	" School Service	121 15 8
" Sundry Receipts	39 6 8	" Photography and Education	238 4 11
" Savings Bank Interest	259 14 2	" Publications Reserve Account	1,563 10 7
" Sale of Transactions	79 6 6	" General Maintenance	1,852 9 5
" Sale of Publications—Reserve Account	1,074 5 4	" Building Maintenance	829 4 2
" Refund of School Service Expenses	142 16 1	" Showcases and Furniture	776 10 9
" Rents from E. E. Vaile Properties Trust	2,041 9 9	" Scientific Equipment	111 13 1
" Receiver of Land Revenue—		" Auckland Museum Maintenance Amendment Act, 1931 (Sec. 37)—Entertainment, Wreaths	59 6 4
Sales	7 19 2	" Edward Earle Vaile Trust Fund—	
Rent and Interest	36 8 11	Specimens Purchased	372 0 3
" Mortgages—Repayment of Principal	12 0 0	Library Books Purchased	1,094 14 4
" Debentures Repaid	200 0 0	Archaeological Excavation	119 18 0
" Government Stock Repaid	2,380 0 0	Outgoings on Properties	475 2 9
" Contributions—		Obsolescence Fund Account, 1955-56	200 0 0
Specimen Purchase	206 16 7	Balance Unexpended, 31/3/56	460 19 9
Memorial Hall Account	20 8 11	" Transfers—	
" Special Donations	86 19 2	Investment Account	2,532 0 0
" Transfers—		Life Subscriptions Account	94 10 0
E. E. Vaile Trust Fund—Sale of Books	95 13 9	Specimen Purchase Account	206 16 7
Income Unexpended, 1/4/55	585 10 10	Memorial Hall Account	20 8 11
Publications Reserve Account	489 5 3	Museum Endowment Account	7 19 2
		Car Purchase Reserve	350 0 0
		Superannuation Fund Reserve	878 0 0
		Building Maintenance Reserve	170 15 10
		.. Balance, 31/3/56	3,210 1 7
	£33,582 10 3		£33,582 10 3

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For the Year Ended 31st March, 1956.

EXPENDITURE.		INCOME.	
	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Salaries and Wages	15,209 9 2	Subscriptions	854 14 0
Insurance	92 1 2	Interest—Mortgages, Debentures and Stock ..	1,774 8 1
General Maintenance	1,852 9 5	Life Members	94 10 0
School Service	121 15 8	Contributions from Local Bodies	20,240 4 2
Photography and Education	238 4 11	Sundry Receipts	39 6 8
Institute Expenses	543 19 2	Sales of Transactions	79 6 6
Unauthorised Expenditure—		Savings Bank Interest	259 14 2
Entertainment, Wreaths	59 6 4	Rent and Interest—Receiver of Land Revenue ..	36 8 11
Building Maintenance	1,078 18 10	Memorial Hall and Specimen Purchase	227 5 6
Subscriptions Written Off	50 8 0	Special Donations	86 19 2
Overseas Travel Grants	520 0 0		
Balance Carried Down	3,926 4 6		
	£23,692 17 2		£23,692 17 2
Capital Purchases from Revenue	2,299 3 3	Balance Brought Down	3,926 4 6
Appropriations—		Refund of School Service Expenses	154 2 3
Life Members' Capital Reserve Account	94 10 0		
Memorial Hall Trust Account	20 8 11		
Car Purchase Reserve	350 0 0		
Specimen Purchase Account	206 16 7		
Superannuation Reserve	878 0 0		
Building Maintenance Reserve	170 15 10		
Balance, 31/3/56	60 12 2		
	£4,080 6 9		£4,080 6 9

EDWARD EARLE VAILE TRUST FUND.

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
To Ethnological Specimens Purchased	372 0 3	By Gross Rents Received to 31/3/56	2,312 7 0		
„ Library Books Purchased	1,094 14 4	Less Commission	98 7 9		
„ Archaeological Excavation	119 18 0	„ Insurance	86 17 6		
„ Obsolescence Fund	200 0 0	„ Repairs	329 11 0		
„ Balance Unexpended, 31/3/56	460 19 0	„ Rates	231 3 9		
		Net Revenue from Rent	746 0 0		
		Balance Unexpended, 31/3/55	1,566 7 0		
		Sale of Books	585 10 10		
			95 13 9		
			£2,247 11 7		
	£2,247 11 7	By Balance Unexpended, 31/3/56	460 19 0		

EDWARD EARLE VAILE TRUST FUND

Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 1956.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Capital Account	40,000	0	0	Properties valued at	40,000	0	0

MUSEUM ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56	14,013	0	1	By Balance, 1/4/55	14,005	0	11
				„ Sales—Receiver of Land Revenue	7	19	2
	£14,013	0	1		£14,013	0	1

LIFE MEMBERS' SUBSCRIPTIONS ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56—				By Balance, 1/4/55—			
War Savings Investments	2,555	15	5	War Savings Investments	2,481	6	9
Investments	2,514	6	0	Investments	2,494	4	8
				„ Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c	94	10	0
	£5,070	1	5		£5,070	1	5

ACCUMULATING ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56	466	4	8	By Balance, 1/4/55	454	17	3
				„ Interest to 31/3/56	11	7	5
	£466	4	8		£466	4	8

MACKECHNIE BEQUEST ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56	9	12	11	By Balance, 1/4/55	9	8	3
				„ Interest to 31/3/56		4	8
	£9	12	11		£9	12	11

MEMORIAL HALL TRUST FUND.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56	987	4	6	By Balance, 1/4/55	943	4	0
				„ Interest to 31/3/56		23	11
				„ Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c ..		20	8
	£987	4	6		£987	4	6

SPECIMEN PURCHASE FUND.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
To Balance, 31/3/56	771	16	9	By Balance, 1/4/55	551	4	7
				„ Interest to 31/3/56		13	15
				„ Transfer from Income and Expenditure A/c ..		206	16
	£771	16	9		£771	16	9

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LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Buildings as at 31/3/56				206,672	16	1
Edward Earle Vaile Properties Trust—						
Properties valued at				40,000	0	0
Furniture and Fittings—						
1st April, 1955	26,110	17	1			
Additions	888	3	10			
				26,999	0	11
Collections—						
1st April, 1955	170,696	5	10			
Additions	1,322	11	5			
				172,018	17	3
Library Books—						
1st April, 1955	22,565	3	6			
Additions	1,579	6	10			
				24,144	10	4
Investments—						
Mortgages	3,342	0	0			
Debentures	5,352	1	0			
N.Z. Government Inscribed Stock	38,120	14	4			
N.Z. War Savings Investments	11,071	7	4			
Australian Commonwealth Stock	1,982	10	0			
				59,868	12	8
Sundry Debtors—						
Subscriptions	159	6	0			
Interest	23	7	6			
Sundry	11	6	2			
				193	19	8

Endowments—Increasing:			
Museum Endowment	14,013	0	1
Reserve for Depreciation of Investments	398	12	3
Life Members' Subscriptions	5,070	1	5
Accumulating Endowment (Ambury Bequest)	466	4	8
			19,947 18 5
Reserves—			
Building Maintenance	5,472	19	4
Car Purchase	700	0	0
Sir Albert Ellis Estate	100	0	0
Memorial Hall	987	4	6
Specimen Purchase	771	16	9
Mackenzie Library	9	12	11
Horton Geology Fund	92	17	5
Cases for White China	10	10	0
Donation for purchase of Swords	10	0	0
Publications Reserve Account	1,632	13	11
Edward Earle Valle Properties Trust: Obsolescence Fund	1984	18	5
Rev. A/c—Unexpended, 31/3/56	460	19	0
Oceanographic Committee A/c	75	0	0
Superannuation	878	0	0
			13,186 12 3
Sundry Creditors—			
Sundry	249	14	8
Subscriptions in Advance	33	11	6
			283 6 2
Income and Expenditure Account—			
Balance, 1/4/55	3,060	2	11
Plus Balance, 31/3/56	60	12	2
			3,120 15 1
			£536,614 10 3

Cash—			
Post Office Savings Bank	2,035	0	9
Auckland Savings Bank	3,874	1	3
Petty Cash	20	0	0
Change	21	0	0
Bank of New Zealand, Auckland	267	3	7
Bank of New Zealand, London	499	7	9
			6,716 13 4
			£536,614 10 3

GILBERT ARCHER,
Treasurer.

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ACCESSIONS, 1955-56.

- R. S. Abel, Esq.: Minerals, coins and Solomon Is. shell armlets.
 Mrs. J. B. Adams: Early pair of tailor's shears; Paisley shawl.
 Mr. A. M. Alexander: Bone *hei tiki* and bone fish hook.
 Mr. S. B. Alexander: Blue-wattled crow.
 Mrs. Lilian F. Allison: Eight bronze figurines and two carved pearl shells.
 Mr. H. J. Armstrong: Sword—Wanganui Mounted Rifles.
 Anonymous: Three air photos of Northern France.
 Anonymous: Stone Statuette of the Indian god Ganesha.
 Miss Nancy Bamford: Garnet schist.
 Mrs. F. C. Barker: Five coloured prints of Gallipoli from drawings by Sapper Moore-Jones.
 Mr. V. S. Barton: Stone adze.
 Mr. G. A. Baird: Fossil tooth of Carcharodon.
 Mrs. Bean: Photographs by Constance Kinder, two drug jars, majolica plate.
 W. E. Begbie, Esq.: Twig beneath lava 15ft. thick.
 Mr. W. G. Boswell: Carved bone chest.
 Dr. A. R. Bowen: Token: Charles C. Barley, Auckland, 1858.
 Mr. W. J. Brambley: Three Maori stone objects. Deposited.
 Miss I. M. Brenan: Fijian whale tooth necklace.
 A. St. Clair Brown, Esq.: Indian embroidered rug.
 Mr. A. R. Browne: Polecat.
 Mrs. W. Buchanan: Two stone adzes.
 Rev. Chas. Bush-King: Bones from Brython Barrow, Post-Neolithic.
 Mrs. E. K. Cable: Great bird of paradise (*Paradisca apoda*).
 Canterbury Museum: Collection of Benin bronzes. Deposited.
 Miss Cardno: Small carved ivory box and card case; pearl shell opera glasses.
 Rev. G. G. Carter: Melanesian implements.
 Mr. S. Chapman: Four bone fish hooks and three of shell, partially made. Exchanged.
 Mr. J. P. Church: Whitby jet and old razor.
 Dr. J. A. Clinch: Collection Georgian and Victorian Silver and Sheffield Plate.
 Mrs. M. Axford Commons: Head of Solomon Island spear; wooden club (Melanesia); dirk in sheath.
 W. Douglas Cook, Esq.: Collection of coins mostly New Zealand.
 Mr. F. G. Cookson: Stone sinker.
 Mr. Cunningham: Mexican parrot.
 Dr. Grace de Courcy: Maori cloak.
 Mrs. R. S. Denvers: Water-colour drawing of Messines by W. A. G. Penlington.

- Mr. C. W. Devonshire: Perforated shell disc.
 Mr. W. A. Dewar: "Palestine News" of December, 1918.
 Mr. E. W. Dobbs: Sulphate minerals and carnotite.
 Mr. Norman Douglas: *Ostrea ingens*.
 Miss D. M. Duigan: Whalebone *Waha-ika* and greenstone *hei tiki*. Deposited.
 Mr. and Mrs. Eade: Head of deer, 12-pointer—Royal. Shot 1902.
 Miss Joan Edwards: Photograph (enlarged) visit of American Fleet to Auckland, 1925.
 Mr. Ewart G. Fenner: Commemorative medal of H.M.S. "Foudroyant," made from copper of the vessel.
 Mrs. A. M. Ferguson: Collection of Oceanic textiles and Maori combs.
 Mr. J. G. Findlay: Tea Set, Queen Victoria Jubilee, 1887.
 Mr. M. E. Fitzgerald: Mutant red-fronted parakeet.
 Mrs. G. H. Fleming: Green Mexican parrot.
 C. Reginald Ford, Esq.: Liverpool plate, decoration a full-rigged ship; Azimuth recorder used in Antarctic by Sir Ernest Shackleton.
 Miss Garlick: The photographs (negatives and prints) taken by the late Miss Una Garlick.
 Mr. S. G. Gittos: Stoat.
 Mr. Goodwin: Spherosiderite in andesite.
 Mr. Ron Gray: Carved bone chest.
 Mr. W. A. Greig: Greenstone chisel.
 Mrs. F. M. Hales: Egyptian Sphinx seal and commemorative medal of visit of Maori Rugby football team to Great Britain, 1926-27.
 Mr. W. Hammond: Obsidian adze of exceptional quality; Incised calabash bowl; pumice bowl and broken stone bowl.
 Hawke's Bay Art Gallery and Museum: Oceanic painted paddle. Deposited.
 Mr. A. N. Hay: Programme of New Zealand Division race meeting, Germany, 1919.
 Mr. C. H. Hensen: Metal cartridge wad cutter.
 Mrs. Hexter-Stabbins: Examples of native basketry and wooden combs.
 Miss N. Hickson: Wooden bowl, coconut shell bowl and cane basket, Solomon Is.
 Mr. W. Hickson: Brass warming pan; brass oil lamp; miner's tea flask; tambua.
 Mr. E. T. Hill: Collection of Melanesian specimens and a Samoan head-rest.
 Mr. G. R. Hodge: Stone adzes, chisels, bone fish hook points and shank.
 Mrs. J. D. Honum: Two boxes Japanese pottery, 1700, 1750. Deposited.
 Miss B. Hooton: Two Fijian Ula clubs.
 Capt. F. A. Hull, R.N. (Retd.): Oceanic tambua and weapons.
 Mr. P. Humphreys: Collection of British birds' eggs.
 Rev. Harry Johnson: Collection of 186 photographic negatives taken by donor in Tanganyika.

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- Mr. R. Noel Johnson: Three stone adzes; medal "The International Exhibition of 1862."
- Mr. J. H. S. Jones: Stone adze; collection of coins; stone chisel.
- Mr. R. Kay: African Bead ornaments.
- Mr. Arthur Lee: Small greenstone "scraper" pendant.
- Mr. N. M. Levien: Two pistols and one revolver.
- Mrs. B. M. Luff: Carved bowl of a pipe, Italy.
- Mr. J. M. Luxford, C.M.G.: Tokelau Is. wooden box with lid, and Samoan walking stick inlaid with fish vertebrae.
- Mr. R. Macey: Gamekeeper's suit c.70 years old, from Admiral Sturdee's estate, England.
- Messrs. Milne and Choyce: Commonwealth Bowl glass, by Stevens and Williams, commemorating the Coronation. Deposited.
- Mr. W. J. Marr, F/O.: Pair of flying boots of R.A.F., 1939-45 war.
- Mr. A. W. C. Mitchell: Fossil shark tooth from road metal about 3 miles south of Te Kuiti.
- Mr. R. Morris: Two stone adzes.
- Mr. Tafatu Morris: Two Nuie Island model canoes.
- Mrs. M. Mouat: French lace shawl, c.1825.
- Mr. A. C. Munro: Maori stone implements and collection of moa bones.
- Mrs. McAlister: 19th century reprints of "The Times." Battle of the Nile. Battle of Copenhagen.
- The Mackelvie Trust Board: Fourteen American medallions. Deposited.
- Mr. John Macpherson: Two Bairnsfather plates first World War. Medicine chest brought to New Zealand by Mr. D. A. Barker, of North Canterbury.
- Mr. H. M. Newton: Papier mache snuff-box and powder horn; early fly-fishing wallet; paper knife of John White.
- N.Z. Military Forces: Three Italian, two German and two U.S.A. rifles.
- Mr. A. J. Ostheimer: Ethnographical Collection from Geelvink Bay area.
- Mr. T. E. Paton: Two trade axe heads.
- Mr. A. T. Pycroft: Tuatara; set of negatives showing Auckland Railway Station and early locomotives, photographs by Mr. J. D. Harris.
- Mrs. Randall: Ferret.
- The late Mr. E. A. Reardon: The Mafeking Mail S. Afr. 10/- currency note.
- Sir Carrick Robertson: Two African gourd snuff-bottles and fly-whisk; Japanese five-chambered lacquer drug box; two tokens S. Hague-Smith, Auckland (Prince Albert).
- Mr. George Roddick: "The Morning Herald," London, 26th August, 1790.
- Mrs. G. A. Russell: Collection of eggs from New Zealand and the Pacific Islands made by Miss R. Shakespear.
- Mr. R. Sanders: Grooved stone sinker.
- Miss Sedgwick: Greenstone ear pendant.
- Mr. Shaw: Shot gun captured during Maori War.
- Mrs. J. Shortt: Old rush-light holder.
- Mr. P. Stace: Fragment of whalebone *mere*.
- Miss I. T. Stennett: Two Irish crosses, (a) gold, (b) silver (Celtic style); brass bell.

- Dr. R. M. S. Taylor: Cast of a stone rimer.
- Mr. A. W. Thomas: Greenstone pendant. Deposited.
- Mr. N. R. W. Thomas: Portion of one of a set of rata skids set across a rock in Mangonui Harbour.
- Mrs. M. Thompson: Malachite with mammillary habit.
- Mr. John N. Thomson: Three water colour drawings of Second World War, by Doug. Yockney and Alan Swinton.
- Mr. T. Turuwhenua: Canoe bailer.
- The late Edward Earle Vaile: Indian, Tibetan and Japanese sculpture in ivory, wood and bronze.
- Mr. B. G. Y. Van Hof: British air propaganda leaflets, 1940-45 War.
- Mr. P. G. Vujcich: Fossil gasteropod (*Conus* sp.) and a piece of Natrolite.
- Mr. F. Warner: Hat-badge, brass, 58th Regt., and framed regimental badge design.
- Mr. John B. Watkins: Sovereign scale.
- Lt-Commander A. M. Watts, R.N. (Retd.): Model of H.M.S. "Diomedee."
- Wellcome Medical Museum, London: Extensive ethnographical collection clubs, spears, shields, etc.
- Miss Gladys White: 21-day gilt clock (French), a wedding gift by the Hawera Cricket Club to Mr. W. G. White; Sèvres bowl, ormolu mounted; Blue-Bristol witch ball.
- Mrs. M. Allen White. Budgerigar.
- Mr. Claud H. Williams: Harmonium, of early C.M.S. Mission.
- Mr. E. Willis: One-piece hook of seal bone and two pieces of seal bone. Three arrows, and assorted small objects (Solomon Is.).
- Mrs. F. Wright: Lithograph of mosaic found at Shellal, South Palestine, in 1917.
- Master Tony Wyatt: Green gecko.
- Mrs. I. L. Wylde-Browne: Chinese lacquer work-box, early 19th century.
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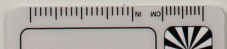
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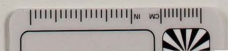
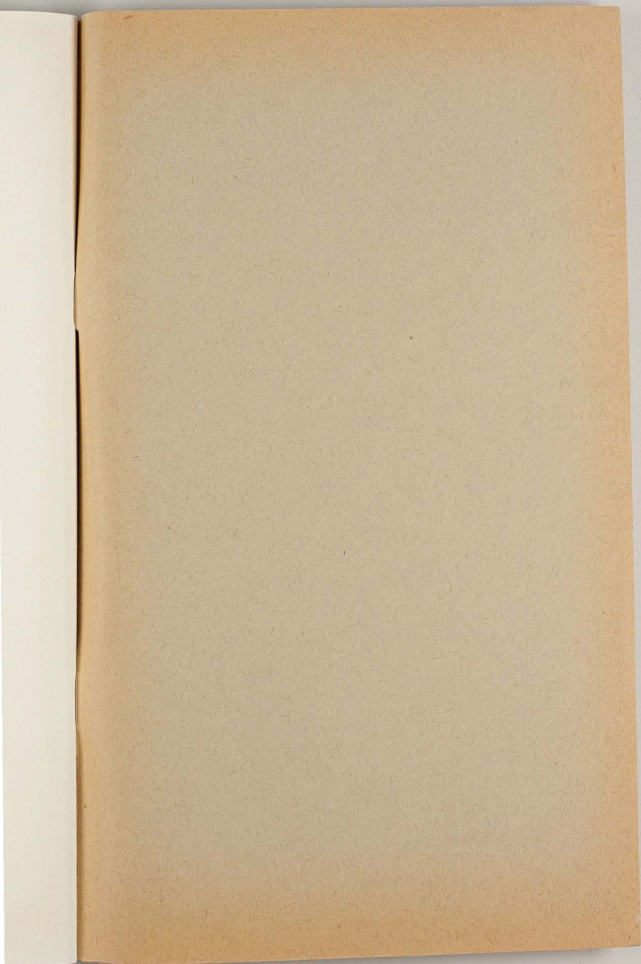
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